

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1(currently amended). A writing instrument comprising:

a ~~substantially~~ sleeve-shaped shaft (20), having a main axis (100), a terminal control part (50, 35, 20b) at a rear end portion of said shaft, and a substantially conical tip device (10) at a front end portion of said shaft (20), wherein said tip device (10) is ~~variably inclinable~~ tiltable to an inclination angle, ~~by at least one of wherein~~ said tip device (10) ~~is being adapted to be controlled (40, 43, 9) so as to be~~ in an angular position there, and pivotably inclinable in a ~~pivot~~ plane comprising said main axis (100) and relative to said sleeve-shaped shaft (20), ~~and, an wherein the~~ inclination angle ~~( $\alpha$ ) of a cone axis (101) of said tip device (10) being adjustable (40, 43, 9) is variable~~ in relation to said main axis (100) of the shaft and the terminal control part controls the angular position of the tip device; ~~and,~~

wherein a leaf ~~shaped~~ spring (17) is provided at a backwards facing ~~end~~ portion of said tip device (10), said leaf spring extending into an inside of said sleeve shaped shaft ~~(20), for and~~ contacting an inner surface of a wall of said sleeve shaped shaft ~~and~~ for effecting a resetting force on said tip device, upon ~~an~~ a controlled increase of said inclination angle of said tip device ~~(40), said force~~ increasing when said control part increases the ~~pivot action~~ angular position of the tip device.

2(currently amended). The writing instrument according to claim 1, wherein said inclination angle ~~( $\alpha$ )~~ of the tip device is changed from the terminal control part ~~(50, 35, 20b)~~, providing a longitudinal movement of one of an ink device and a refilling device (40) received in said sleeve shaped shaft, said movement being effected in a longitudinal direction ~~(x) and relative to a bearing (23; 13; 14; L) structure between said tip device (10) and~~ along said shaft (20).

Claims 3-5, 8, 10-13, 16-27, 30, 34, 35 are canceled.